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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Steven A. Bogen and Herbert H. Loeffler

Application No.: 09/702,298 Group: 1743

Filed: October 31, 2000 Examiner: Not assigned yet

For: Slide Stainer With Removable Reagent Cartridge Frame

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

(COL. 3)

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 2)

(COL. 1)

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		PRE	HEST NO. EVIOUSLY AID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	14	MINUS	*	20	0
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F	IRST PRESENTAT	TON OF M	ULTIPL	E DEP. CLA	JM

not fewer than 20

** not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY

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R	ATE	ADDIT. FEE	<u>OR</u>
х	\$ 9	\$	
х	\$40	\$	
+	\$135	\$]

TOTAL = \$ 0

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

R	ATE	A	DDIT. FEE
х	\$18	\$	0
х	\$80	\$	0
+	\$270	\$	

TOTAL = \$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please amend the title of the application at page 1, line 1, to

--Automated Slide Stainer With Slide Housing--.

Amendments to the specification are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (page i).